

ROBINSON'S ANNUAL COAT SALE

BEGINS

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

Scores of People Have Been Waiting for This Announcement, So Don't Delay!

\$1100 Worth Of Coats To Be Sold

Continued cold weather makes it necessary for every woman to wear some kind of a Coat or Suit, and here is your opportunity to secure one at a wonderful reduction so early in the season

We Have 104 New Spring Coats On Hand

Not one held back, every garment goes on sale! Think of it, all these garments here for you to choose from and every one a this season coat. Every one carries the same two season guarantee the same as though sold at regular price. No cheap, shoddy merchandise in the line, all bear the famous "Wooltex", "Printzess", "Conde" or other equally reliable labels, and each is made in style and workmanship that any woman may feel proud to wear.

Take Advantage of These Great Reductions Now!

11 coats, regular price \$25.00, now	\$16.39	6 coats, regular price \$14.00, now	\$7.88
12 coats, regular price \$22.50, now	\$14.68	5 coats, regular price \$13.50, now	\$7.45
11 coats, regular price \$20.00, now	\$12.89	3 coats, regular price \$12.50, now	\$6.89
17 coats, regular price \$18.50, now	\$11.42	9 coats, regular price \$10.00, now	\$6.50
13 coats, regular price \$16.50, now	\$10.18	4 coats, regular price \$9.50, now	\$6.25
7 coats, regular price \$15.00, now	\$8.69	4 coats, regular price \$8.50, now	\$5.50

Sale Begins at 8:00 a. m. Saturday, June 19th and Lasts Until All Are Sold

D. W. ROBINSON

FERRIS

Mrs. Holcomb and Miss Laura Gott of Ionia, visited at F. L. Gott's home, the last of the week.

J. E. Skidmore was in town, Monday, on business.

C. Hicks and G. M. Wilson called on the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hicks of Sumner, Sunday afternoon.

Elder Frank Beach will give a lecture on Jamaica, next Sunday, June 20th., at ten thirty.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Landis were in this vicinity, Saturday.

F. D. Hare visited the Sunday schools at Vestaburg, Sunday.

GERHARDT FAMILY REUNITE

Jolly Occasion at Old Homestead in Reed City When Members Meet.

To celebrate a golden wedding anniversary of their wedding day, couples. Among that limited number are Mr. and Mrs. John Gerhardt, who last Sunday, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding day.

Sunday was an ideal day for such a function and the gathering at the Gerhardt home was a most delightful one. The fifty-year bride has been in the country visiting for a few days and on her return Sunday morning she was indeed surprised to find such elaborate preparations made for a celebration. Seventy-five relatives and friends had been invited to do honor to this respected couple and the entire affair was carried out in a most pleasing manner.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerhardt are German born but came across the ocean in the '50's, locating in Canada. In 1862 Mr. Gerhardt and his parents and Mrs. Gerhardt (nee Bittner) with her parents migrated to this section of Michigan and have since resided in Osceola county. Three years later they were married and for a half a century have fought life's battles together and have helped develop this section of Michigan. The couple farmed until about thirteen years ago when they moved to Reed City to spend their last days free from the duties of farm life. They are among our most respected citizens and have raised a family that is indeed a credit to any community.

Of the ten children born to them, the old couple have eight living and all but two were able to be at the celebration. Joseph of Alma, Austin, Aaron, and Gideon of this place were the sons present while Moses of Edgewood, California, could not attend. Of the daughters Mrs. Ben Buerge and Miss Lillian Gerhardt, were in attendance but Mrs. Leslie Lowe of Seattle, Wash., was absent.

Mrs. Chas. Tiede acted as caterer for the anniversary dinner.—Osceola County Herald.

The above was clipped from one of the Reed City weeklies and is of especial interest to Alma people as Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gerhardt of this city attended the reunion and prepared the program for the occasion. The twenty-four page program containing poems about each member of the Gerhardt family were printed and bound in the Record office.

Additional Local

Deputy State Superintendent of Public Instruction Munson, was in Alma, Thursday, visiting Prof. Schultz and transacting business.

Mrs. Rose Walker of Greenville, visited at the home of Harry Walston and family from Saturday until Thursday, of this week.

Mrs. R. Whelper, an assistant at Wright Hall, left for Saginaw, Thursday to visit her sons for a few days. From there she will go to Hartford Connecticut to spend the remainder of the summer with friends and relatives. She will return in September to take up her work at Wright Hall, again.

See our line of dainty wash dresses at \$3.98, Mrs. P. J. Adams, adv.

A full line of Gossard Corsets are on sale at Mrs. P. J. Adams, adv.

The latest things in wash dresses are at Mrs. P. J. Adams, adv.

Rev. DeLong who has been conducting meetings in Alma, will lecture in St. Louis, Sunday night, June 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald McClinton have moved from Denver Colorado to Sheridan Wyoming and there will make their future home. "Reg" is employed in the best sugar factory in that city.

Mrs. E. H. Doane and daughter, Miss Marie, spent Thursday with friends and relatives in Shepherd.

Arthur McIntyre left Thursday morning for Big Rapids. Friday he will go to Decatur Indiana. Arthur expects to sell books in the vicinity of that city during summer vacation.

Mr. Lowry of Brooklyn Michigan, father of Mrs. Fleming, spent a few days at the home of his daughter, on Woodworth avenue, this week. He returned to his home, Thursday morning.

John D. Spinney, transacted business in Ithaca, and Pompeii, Thursday.

Maurice Ruchmore, a junior in the University of Michigan, has been spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James G. Kress. He will go to his home in Old Mission, Friday.

Mrs. J. W. Niblack, left Thursday morning for Reading, where she will visit friends and relatives for a few days. From there she will go to Sea Girt, New Jersey, to stay until October.

Prof. and Mrs. James E. Mitchell, and sons Ross, John and George, left for Duluth, Thursday morning, to spend the summer vacation at the home of Mrs. Mitchell's parents.

Mrs. William Robinson of Aberdeen, Washington, who has been visiting at the home of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robinson, on West Center street, left Thursday morning to spend a few weeks with friends and relatives in Stanton, and Grand Rapids.

James G. Kress, was a business visitor in Forest Hill, Thursday morning.

THINGS WORTH AVOIDING

Don't run for a hill. Climb it after you get to it.

Don't use a cutout. Unship it and avoid temptation.

Don't cut corners. Keep to the right side of both streets.

Don't hog the middle of the road. Keep over to the right.

Don't turn in the middle of a block. Go to the street intersection.

Don't cover your rear number with a spare tire. Be a real sport.

Don't regard the officer's signal as an insult. He is there to help you.

Don't race with a motorcycle. The man you're racing may be an officer.

Don't forget your rights or presume on your advantages, either horsepower or official.

Don't stop your automobile beyond the property line at street intersections. Pedestrians have the right of way here.

Don't swing to the left toward the middle of the street without looking behind. There may be a truck at your elbow.

Don't knock the police department if it enforces an ordinance that you assisted in making into a law.

Don't forget the cross streets. A car coming out of a street at your right has right of way over you as you have over the car coming out of a street on your left.

LIVE STOCK NOTES.

Bearing on hand with the comb is not necessary when grooming a horse. The dust is mostly on the outer ends of the hair; brush lightly.

The better your sire the better your lambs, and so the more money you will get from your flock next year.

If a hog trough is always full of feed it becomes uninviting to the most greedy.

It takes three or four years to grow a colt to marketable age.

In starting in sheep select the breed that appeals most to the fancy.

The pigs need exercise if they are to do their best.

GUARDING SWINE AGAINST CHOLERA

The United States Live Stock Sanitary association makes the following recommendations for prevention of hog cholera:

As the disease is without doubt taken up with the food supply, the question arises, How best protect it from infection?

It is suggested small feeding pens be built with closely woven wire fence to which hogs should be admitted only at feeding time. These pens should have a cement floor, which must be kept clean of all litter and manure and then sprinkled with a cresol solution. Trenches should be disinfected and lifted off the floor and exposed to the sun.

Sleeping quarters should be arranged so they can be kept cleaned and disinfected. Good pastures away from water courses and roads are necessary in order to prevent any infection being carried by stray animals or from contaminated water.

As a further precaution not only against hog cholera, but against various parasites which swine are often troubled with, a dipping vat can be built with very little expense and a cheap disinfectant used.

The disease is not borne in the but is acquired by taking into the system the disease germs.

Protect your hogs from coming in contact with sick hogs and protect their food and water supply from contamination.

When the disease has existed it is wise to provide new quarters entirely for the brood sows. While young pigs from immune mothers carry an immunity for a short time they are liable to infection later if permitted to remain in infected quarters. It is well to plow and seed the old yards.



An admirer of Berkshire hogs says that, according to packers, they will net more on the hooks than any other hogs and are always in demand. They will always weigh more than the average hog, and their meat is solid. Any one who feeds or raises Berkshire hogs will always be paid for his time and money. The bear pictured is a Berkshire.

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Heron's Good Appetite.

The heron, which has an average weight of only four pounds in spite of its size, has been known to eat three and one-half pounds of fish at one meal.

Wanted and For Sale

Advertisements under this head will be charged five cents per line for each issue.

For Rent—Brick store building on State Street, now occupied by Smith's Grocery. Enquire of F. E. Pollasky. 1890-tf

For Sale—Good Work horse-1450-9 years old. Good Bargain. See Smith the Maxwell man, Alma. 1887-tf

For Sale—A choice residence lot on a good street. Will sell reasonable. Enquire of Burt, Sharrar and Moore. 1886-tf

Central Petroleum Co., Cleveland, over \$125.00 per month write us today for position as salesman; every opportunity for advancement. Central Petroleum Co., Cleveland, Ohio. 1888-tf

For Rent—Finest office suites in the city, newly built with modern equipments. Enquire, F. E. Pollasky. 1889-tf

Piano for sale, high class piano, slightly used, at a bargain. Write or call, J. Charles Kipp, Wheeler, Mich.

For Sale—Choice Land at 11c per lb in lots of 5 lb or more. Call J. A. Bartley, 317 Grant Street 1891-tf

For Sale—Piano in first class condition. Must be sold at once. Apply Rev. Thos. G. R. Brownlow, 724 State Street. 1892-tf

Lost—A gentleman's purse containing \$16.00 in bills between Rhodes' Drug store and depot, June 12th. Finder please leave at this office. 1892-tf

Found—A pair of leather hangers. Owner may have same by calling at this office and proving property and paying for this notice. 1892-tf

Lost—Presto light tank from Crandell & Scott's truck, Monday afternoon. Return to store and receive reward. 1892-tf

For Sale—1 pair of good mules, 2200 pounds, kind and gentle, 3 and 5 years old. See them at Schick's feed barn. Smith the Maxwell Man. 1892-tf

THE HUPMOBILE

We have taken the agency for Northern Gratiot and will be pleased to demonstrate this famous car to anyone.

Fifteen of the Many Reasons Why the Hupmobile Leads the Field

Non-stallable motor — insures against accident.

Spiral bevel gears in full floating rear axle—highest priced construction; admitted best.

One switch to control starting and ignition—simplest on the market.

Speedometer drive from transmission—no exposed gears, silent.

Underslung rear springs—long and flexible—give easiest riding.

Special design tail lamp which illuminates road and ditches—makes backing easy.

Exceptionally easy steering.

Special dimmer bulbs and glass in headlights—no road glare.

Two gallon reserve gasoline tank—you are never helpless on the road.

Tungsten steel valves—do not warp or pit—used in highest priced cars.

Ten percent over size tires—insure maximum mileage.

Non-skid tires on rear wheels regular equipment.

Self-lubricating springs — never squeak.

Five demountable rims on every car.

One-man top; quick acting storm curtains.

N. S. Smith & Co.

Distributors for Northern Gratiot Display Room—Clark's Feed Barn West Superior St., ALMA MICH.

A Word to the Wise.

Through the recent appointment of Dr. J. Vaughan as member of the Detroit Board of Health, that health board is now composed entirely of Democrats.

Governor Ferris was urged to reappoint an experienced and valuable member of the board, but the fact that the latter was a Republican evidently prevented sufficient consideration for his years of experience and past efficiency.

It will be recalled that when Governor Ferris was being urged to retain State Bank Commissioner E. H. Doyle in the office he had served so well, that the only reason the governor gave for not retaining Mr. Doyle was that the latter was a Republican, and he desired to give the office to a Democrat.

It may be well for Michigan Republicans to keep Governor Ferris's practice and philosophy in mind when they go to the polls next time. It is quite evident that the theory of nepotism gains no helpful advocates through the election of Democrats with Republican votes.

County Correspondence

ITHACA

John Kernen made a business trip to Flint, last week.

F. M. Lotridge of Owosso, spent Wednesday at Ithaca.

Charles Callard of Bancroft, visited Tuesday in Ithaca.

Clarence Schultz of Middleton, spent Tuesday in Ithaca.

I. S. Seaver of Pompeii was an Ithaca business visitor Tuesday.

Miss Bessie Chapman of Ashley was in Ithaca, Wednesday.

Mrs. C. Prine of Sumner spent Thursday at Ithaca.

Mrs. Cora Gunn and daughter Florence of Ashley, were Ithaca visitors, Wednesday.

Dean Randall is spending a few weeks with relatives and friends in Ithaca. He has been in the west nearly fifteen years.

Tim Thum and wife have returned from a trip to Detroit.

M. C. Lake has sold a Detroit car to E. Parsons of Forest Hill and Saturday went to Detroit, accompanied by Mrs. Lake, to bring home a new eight-cylinder Detroit.

Chas. Kleckner and wife of North Star were Ithaca callers, Friday.

Mrs. Bert Hinkle and daughter Laura of Ashley, were Ithaca visitors Thursday and Friday.

J. B. Gardner of North Star was at Ithaca, on business, Friday.

Miss Helen Chambers is home from Mt. Pleasant Normal.

A. P. Lane made a business trip to Traverse City, last week.

Miss Neva Nevison has returned to her home in Northville.

Mr. and Mrs. M. McFadden, were in Alma, the first part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. N. Lanphere were in Lansing, this week.

Judge Searl is holding court in St. Johns, this week.

The regular monthly business meeting of the Epworth League was held Monday evening at the home of Mrs. C. D. Daniels.

Mrs. J. M. Everden is entertaining her mother, Mrs. Place, of Buffalo.

Miss Nina Sackett went to St. Johns Monday to spend a few weeks with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Blakely of Alma, visited friends here this week.

Mrs. David Reichard was called to Ohio this week by the serious illness of her brother.

John W. Meyers has returned from a two weeks' trip to Chicago, Detroit and Canada.

Miss Florence Strong of Alma, visited here last week.

Miss Ruth Misner, teacher during the past school year at Allegan, has returned to Ithaca and will spend the summer here.

Mrs. Geo. Gargett of Alma, visited in Ithaca, last week with her sister, Mrs. Lydia Munson.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Geraldine Price to George Crook, the latter part of this month.

Miss Joyce Wight left for Chicago, Saturday, and will attend the summer session at the University of Chicago. Miss Ethel Searl will join her during the coming week.

Roy Letts of Bannister was in Ithaca, on business, last week.

Rev. and Mrs. Mumford of Homer visited last week with their daughter Mrs. O. L. Smith, who accompanied them home Thursday, taking the children for a short visit.

Miss Agnes Yutzy is spending the summer with her parents, near Middleton.

Miss Mabel Salisbury of Middleton visited relatives and friends in Ithaca, this week.

Mrs. Ray Wilkinson is spending a few days at Maple Rapids with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gordenier.

Mrs. F. L. Convis entertained the members of her Sunday school class, Tuesday, by an automobile trip to Crystal Lake.

Miss Vera Wagner of Middleton, visited relatives here, last week.

John Mathews and wife of Riverdale visited last week with their daughter, Mrs. J. P. Nicholson.

Mrs. V. Allen of Middleton, visited friends in Ithaca, last week.

Chas. Kernen is spending the week in Detroit.

Allan Orser of Owosso, was in Ithaca, Friday.

George Winget, Jr., left Ithaca, Monday, for a trip to the Panama Exposition and other western points.

Paul Kernen, who motored through from Detroit, with Mrs. Andrew DePeel and daughters, Mrs. Dunn and Miss Thelma DePeel, has returned with the party, via Saginaw and Flint.

Zura Seaver of Pompeii was in Ithaca, Monday.

Geo. Mikesell and family of Pompeii were in Ithaca, Thursday.

Mrs. Ord Trask of Ashley, transacted business here, Friday.

Miss Merle Seaver of Chesaning, spent the week end at Ithaca.



Tango Elephants a Circus Feature

A jungle town is soon to be added to this city.

When the long trains bearing the wonders of Ringling Brothers' circus arrive here on Wednesday, July 7, they will bring as a part of their precious freight a zoological collection that is said to be the largest and rarest of its kind in the world. It will include more than one thousand wild beasts of every kind and description, many of which are specimens seldom found in captivity.

The Ringling menagerie this season is a veritable Noah's ark and among its inhabitants are a number of trained animal actors lately imported from Europe, who are said to represent the highest development of wild animal intelligence. In addition to the marvelous troupes of trained horses, ponies, bears and dogs, there are many

new features that have never before appeared with a circus.

The "baby section" is a big feature of the menagerie this season, including several lion cubs, tiger whelps, five baby elephants, an infant puma and several other youngsters. The baby elephants have already developed into wonderful performers and can do most any kind of feat from playing base ball to dancing the tango.

The Ringling circus is featuring a wonderful spectacle this year, entitled Solomon and the Queen of Sheba, which has been produced at a cost of \$1,000,000 and requires a cast of 1,250 characters and 300 dancing girls. It is guaranteed that the circus will be in Alma in its entirety. It is the largest in the world, and this year's circus day promises to be the banner one of recent years in Alma.